

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

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**SHADOW HILLS PLAZA, LLC, a Limited  
Liability Company,** ) Case No.: 2:09-cv-01701-RLH-GWF

ORDER

(Motion for Reconsideration #41)

vs.

**WAL-MART REAL ESTATE BUSINESS  
TRUST, a Delaware statutory trust; DOES I  
through X, inclusive,**

## Defendants

**WAL-MART REAL ESTATE BUSINESS  
TRUST, a Delaware statutory trust.**

#### **Third-Party Plaintiff.**

VS

WADMAN CORPORATION, a Utah corporation; EN ENGINEERING, INC., a California corporation; ROES I through X, inclusive.

### Third-Party Defendants.

Before the Court is Third-Party Defendant En Engineering, Inc.’s (“En

Engineering") Motion for Reconsideration (#41), filed August 10, 2010. The Court has also

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1 considered Third-Party Plaintiff Wal-Mart Real Estate Business Trust's ("Wal-Mart") Opposition  
 2 (#43), filed August 27, 2010, and En Engineering's Reply (#44), filed September 7, 2010.

### 3 BACKGROUND

4 In 2004, Shadow Hills and Wal-Mart entered into an agreement to develop a  
 5 shopping center on two adjacent tracts of land—one owned by Shadow Hills and the other owned  
 6 by Wal-Mart. Wal-Mart agreed to perform the site preparation work for both tracts of land. Wal-  
 7 Mart retained En Engineering to provide engineering design services for the site preparation.  
 8 After the site preparation was completed, Shadow Hills allegedly noticed several deficiencies in  
 9 the site work. Accordingly, on July 31, 2009, Shadow Hills filed suit against Wal-Mart in the  
 10 Eighth Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada. Wal-Mart then removed the suit to this  
 11 Court on September 1 on the basis of diversity jurisdiction.

12 On March 24, 2010, Wal-Mart filed a third-party complaint against En Engineering,  
 13 among others, seeking indemnification and contribution. Wal-Mart claims that En Engineering is  
 14 contractually obligated to indemnify Wal-Mart for any claim of damages to the extent those  
 15 damages were caused by En Engineering. On April 19, En Engineering filed a motion to dismiss  
 16 Wal-Mart's third-party complaint based on Wal-Mart's failure to comply with of NRS § 11.258  
 17 and this Court denied that motion. (Dkt. #38, Order, July 21, 2010). En Engineering now  
 18 challenges the Court's interpretation of § 11.258 and requests the Court to reconsider its July 21  
 19 order (#38). For the reasons discussed below, the Court denies En Engineering's motion for  
 20 reconsideration.

### 21 DISCUSSION

#### 22 I. Third-Party Defendant's Motion for Reconsideration

##### 23 A. Legal Standard

24 The Federal Rules of Civil Procedure do not contemplate reconsideration of  
 25 interlocutory orders. However, a district court "possesses the inherent procedural power to  
 26 reconsider, rescind, or modify an interlocutory order for cause seen by it to be sufficient." *City of*

1       *L.A., Harbor Div. v. Santa Monica Baykeeper*, 254 F.3d 882, 888 (9th Cir. 2001) (internal citation  
 2 omitted). Thus, all district court rulings are subject to revision at any time before the entry of  
 3 judgment so longs as the court retains jurisdiction over a case.” *United States v. Smith*, 389 F.3d  
 4 944, 949 (9th Cir. 2004) (emphasis omitted).

5                  A motion for reconsideration must set forth the following: (1) some valid reason  
 6 why the court should revisit its prior order, and (2) facts or law of a “strongly convincing nature”  
 7 in support of reversing the prior decision. *Frasure v. United States*, 256 F.Supp.2d 1180, 1183 (D.  
 8 Nev. 2003). Reconsideration may be appropriate if the district court: (1) is presented with newly  
 9 discovered evidence, (2) has committed clear error or the initial decision was manifestly unjust, or  
 10 (3) there has been an intervening change in controlling law. *Nunes v. Ashcroft*, 375 F.3d 805,  
 11 807–08 (9th Cir. 2004). “There may also be other, highly unusual, circumstances warranting  
 12 reconsideration.” *Sch. Dist. No. 1J, Multnomah Cnty., Or. v. ACandS, Inc.*, 5 F.3d 1255, 1263 (9th  
 13 Cir. 1993). On the other hand, motions for reconsideration are not “the proper vehicles for  
 14 rehashing old arguments,” *Resolution Trust Corp. v. Holmes*, 846 F.Supp. 1310, 1316 (S.D. Tex.  
 15 1994) (footnotes omitted).

16                  **B. Analysis**

17                  The Court denies En Engineering’s motion because it merely reiterates arguments  
 18 that were already raised and rejected in the original motion to dismiss. Furthermore, En  
 19 Engineering provides no basis of law or fact—other than its own interpretation of § 11.258—to  
 20 demonstrate a clear error by this Court. En Engineering’s disagreement with the Court’s  
 21 interpretation of § 11.258 does not provide a proper basis for its motion. *Durkin v. Taylor*, 444  
 22 F.Supp. 879, 889 (E.D. Va. 1977) (motions for reconsideration are not “intended to give an  
 23 unhappy litigant one additional chance to sway the judge”). Accordingly, the Court denies the  
 24 motion.

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## CONCLUSION

Accordingly, and for good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Third-Part Defendant En Engineering, Inc.'s

Motion for Reconsideration (#41) is DENIED.

Dated: December 6, 2010

**ROGER L. HUNT**  
**Chief United States District Judge**